

Navy Web Site Assists Sailors with Exceptional Family Members

The Exceptional Family Member (EFM) program unveiled its new Web site recently to allow families, EFM sponsors and medical treatment facility personnel access to EFM category information.

Through the Internet, EFM officials said they have improved on a program designed to meet the needs of the Navy members and their families by putting the "right person in the right place at the right time."

The site can now serve as a query tool that will enable sponsors to negotiate orders with detailers more efficiently and effectively.

The EFM program was created in 1989 to provide service members quality opportunities for assignment to locations where his/her family member's special medical and/or educational needs could be met. Orders written for program members are reviewed by EFM program managers, who approve or disapprove the move based on availability of facilities for the family member. More than 19,000 Navy families are currently enrolled in the program.

Anonymity features have been built into the Web site to ensure privacy and confidentiality. Military or family members who have questions about the EFM program can visit the Web site at <https://efm.persnet.navy.mil/EFM>.



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